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My dear Mr. Dulles:

In connection with an inquiry being conducted by this Subcommittee, I am requesting certain information regarding expenditures made by your organization during fiscal years 1953, 1954 and 1955, as well as those anticipated for the remaining portion of fiscal years 1955 and 1956.

I should like to have at your earliest possible convenience, by fiscal years, the amount of funds expended for purchase and maintenance (separately) of equipment suitable for use in wire tapping. This includes, but is not limited to listening devices, recorders, and related equipment. This request applies to such equipment used or intended for use in the United States and/or its possessions only.

In the case of equipment purchased, please specify the number and types of items purchased during each of the above fiscal years.

In addition to the foregoing, I should like to have the number and grades of personnel authorized to operate the equipment described herein.

I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

JOHN L. MCCLELLAN (signed)

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